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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	CASE NO. 18-CR-00465 MMC
)	
Plaintiff,)	UNITED STATES' STATUS UPDATE
)	REGARDING DIPLOMATIC
v.)	CORRESPONDENCE
)	
FUJIAN JINHUA INTEGRATED CIRCUIT)	The Honorable Maxine M. Chesney
CO., LTD,)	Courtroom 7, 19 th Floor
)	
Defendant.)	

UNITED STATES' STATUS UPDATE
18-CR-00465 MMC

STATUS UPDATE

The government files this status update regarding correspondence the United States Department of State received from the Embassy of the People's Republic of China ("PRC") in Washington, D.C., on May 13, 2022, and which the undersigned received early on May 14, 2022.

The diplomatic note came in response to the United States' own diplomatic note dated April 29, 2022, from the Department of State to the Embassy of the PRC in Washington, D.C. That note in substance advised that the Court had approved Defendant Fujian Jinhua Integrated Circuit, Co., Ltd.'s request to take remote video testimony of five identified defense witnesses. The note further advised on relevant procedures, such as the likely locations of the Court, the witnesses, and the prosecuting and defense attorneys, and advised that the witnesses would be administered an oath. The United States' correspondence attached two declarations of Jinfu Zheng regarding the asserted consent from the PRC.

The responsive message from the Embassy of the PRC to the Department of State stated that the PRC was reviewing the issue and would respond further soon. The correspondence further requested a postponement of the court procedure regarding the witness testimony by zoom planned for May 16, 2022.

The United States immediately informed defense counsel of the substance of the correspondence.

Defense witness Lu Wensheng is set to testify on May 16, 2022.

The United States will be prepared to address its position on Monday morning.

Dated: May 15, 2022

Respectfully Submitted,

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